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In re Patent Application of:
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated August 3, 2006, please reconsider this application in light of the following Remarks:

REMARKS

Claims 1, 6, 7, 11 and 12 stand provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 2, 6 and 7 of copending Application No. 10/805,221. The claims also stand provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1, 2, 4, 6 and 8-10 of Application No. 10/805,228. Applicant submits herewith terminal disclaimers to overcome these rejections.

Claims 1-8 and 10-12 stand provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 2, 10-12 and 15 of copending Application No. 10/805,250. Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer to overcome this rejection.